STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: 2007 Off-Site High School **ITEM NO.:** 10L

Graduation

PREPARED BY: Jean S. Murray, MEETING: June 20, 2006

Superintendent MEETING: March 14, 2006 ACTION DATE: August 22, 2006

INFORMATION ONLY: N/Á

ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT: That the School Board approve holding high school graduations on June 14 and 15, 2007 at the Fredericksburg Expo Center.

KEY POINTS:

 Since first presenting this graduation change to the School Board for discussion on March 14, 2006, staff has continued discussion with Sam Voisin at the Expo Center and with the high school principals;

- The attached facility estimate for \$31,976.00 itemizes the expenses of using the Expo Center. The school division will provide a portable stage and ramps. The Expo Center will provide stage and backdrop drapes and stage greenery. We will provide flowers and bows colored for each school.
- The general operating budget includes \$4,000 per high school for graduation expenses. The difference of \$11,976.00 will be generated through the \$10 increase in senior fees included in another agenda item this evening.
- Graduation dates and times will be as follows and timeslots will be through lottery: Thursday, June 14 – 1:30, 4:30, 7:30 and Friday, June 15 – 1:30, 4:30
- A survey is being mailed to the parents of all current juniors and sophomores during the week of June 19-23. Parents have the option of completing the survey online or returning via mail or fax. The results of the survey will be included with staff's final recommendation at the August 22, 2006 School Board meeting.

SCHOOL BOARD GOAL 3: Encourage parents and the community to increase their interest and involvement in schools.

FUNDING SOURCE: FY07 general operating funds for graduations, senior fees, school activity funds.

AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE: Policy 7-26 Graduation